

## ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to expression and assembly of foreign multimeric proteins -- e.g., antibodies -- in plants, as well as to transgenic plants that express such proteins. In one of several preferred embodiments, the generation and assembly of functional secretory antibodies in plants is disclosed. The invention also discloses compositions produced by the transgenic plants of the present invention and methods of using same.

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